



# NEWS ADVISORY

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## **West Valley City Celebrates 30 Years of National Night Out; Council Declares August “Neighborhood Nights” Month**

West Valley City – On Tuesday, July 23, 2013 during the regularly scheduled City Council meeting at 6:30 p.m., the West Valley City Council read a proclamation declaring August 2013 “Neighborhood Nights” month\*, and Tuesday, August 6, 2013 as National Night Out Against Crime in West Valley City. The proclamation officially kicks off the city’s month-long National Night Out efforts, a tradition honored for 30 years, and encourages all residents to participate in events throughout the community.

“For 30 years the residents of West Valley City have participated in National Night Out,” says Craig Thomas, Assistant Director of Public Relations and Neighborhood Services. “The event has proven very important to our residents in helping them build stronger united neighborhoods.”

This year’s National Night Out activities in West Valley City will include an estimated 40 events throughout the month of August with an anticipated attendance of 9,000 residents. Nationwide, the National Association of Town Watch (NATW), expects 16,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases around the world to participate – an estimated 37.5 million people.

“Neighborhoods in West Valley City have made National Night Out a tradition,” says Mayor Mike Winder. “This is a tradition that helps to strengthen and build unity in our neighborhoods.”

National Night Out is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime efforts, strengthen neighborhood spirit and police community relationships and send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

For more information about West Valley City Neighborhood Nights events or National Night Out 2012, call 801-963-3285 or visit [www.wvc-ut.gov/nno](http://www.wvc-ut.gov/nno).

\*Full schedule of events throughout August on next page.



### **Schedule of Events:**

Monday, August 5, 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Kickoff Event & Safety Fair, Utah Cultural Celebration Center, 1355 W 3100 S

- ☐ Live entertainment
- ☐ Free barbeque
- ☐ Bounce Houses
- ☐ Face Painting and Balloons
- ☐ WVCPD K9 demonstration
- ☐ 20 information tables from community groups
- ☐ 10 information tables with City services information

Tuesday, August 7

Neighborhood Block Parties, Neighborhoods throughout West Valley City

- ☐ 22 neighborhood events (an additional 8 planned for other evenings in August)

Friday, August 16 & Saturday August 17, 1:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Police Safety Fair, Valley Fair Mall, 3610 South 2700 West

- ☐ WVCPD K9 demonstrations daily at 2 and 4
- ☐ 12 information tables with displays from various WVCPD departments
- ☐ Emergency vehicle displays
- ☐ 2 information tables with displays from WVCFD
- ☐ 4 information tables with City services information
- ☐ 17 information tables from community groups

Monday, August 19, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Family Safety Fair, Family Fitness Center, 5415 W 3100 S

- ☐ 6 information tables with City services information
- ☐ 20 information tables from community groups

Tuesday, August 20, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Senior Safety Fair

Harman Senior Recreation Center, 4090 S 3600 W

- ☐ 6 information tables with City services information
- ☐ 10 information tables from community groups

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